

SENATE BILL 3401  
By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
Chapter 2, relative to directors of schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203(a)(14), is amended by deleting subdivision (C) and substituting instead the following:

(C) At least nine (9) months prior to the expiration of a person's contract as director of schools and before the local board of education extends or renews the contract of such person as director of schools, by resolution, the board shall direct the county election commission to hold a referendum for the purpose of determining the will of the electorate with respect to retention of such person as director of schools. The county election commission shall conduct a referendum on the question pursuant to § 2-3-204. The county election commission shall cause the following to be placed on the ballot:

Shall (Name of person holding office as director of schools) be retained in office of Director of Schools? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ or No \_\_\_\_\_.

No party designation shall appear on the ballot. If a majority or one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of those voting on the question vote against retaining the named person as director of schools, then the local board of education shall at the expiration of such person's contract as director of schools employ another person as director of schools. If a majority or one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of those voting on the question vote to retain the named person as director of schools, then the local board of education may extend such person's contract as director of schools for a term not to exceed four (4) years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.